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Applicant : Thomas E. Tarara et al.

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PETITION FOR FIVE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the

action dated September 10, 2004, be extended for five months to and including March 10, 2005.

Enclosed is a check for \$2160 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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